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HOW FRED ST. ONGE TAUGHT HELEN KELLER TO BE EXPERT BICYCLIST

Among the most interesting people at the Orpheum are the St. Onge brothers who fall over themselves and their bicycles. They are interesting in themselves as performers of more than ordinary ability and are also interesting in the fact that they have seen other interesting people and met other interesting people and can tell about both.

Taught Helen Keller.

Fred St. Onge, a native at Boston, Mass., and the older of the two performers, has had the very proud distinction of having met, conversed and dined with Miss Helen Keller, the deaf and blind young lady of Massachusetts, whose case has interested educators and scientists all over the world. Not only has Mr. St. Onge done these things, but he has actually been the young lady's teacher in bicycle riding.

It all came about in this way. Mr. St. Onge was approached one day by Col. Pope of the Pope Manufacturing Co., and was told that he had made arrangements for him to teach Miss Keller to ride a bicycle. Col. Pope explained that he had already presented the lady with a tandem. Mr. St. Onge was not slow to accept the responsibility and all arrangements were made. The first lesson was taken on the first Tuesday of May, 1899. The bicyclist describes this experience as one of the most interesting of his life and goes on to tell, in the following language, just what occurred:

"Naturally, I was very careful to see that the tandem on which I took Miss Keller to ride was in perfect shape before we started out on the trip for I knew just what it meant if ever anything should happen. Previous to taking the first ride, we arranged through the medium of Miss Keller's teacher, Miss Sullivan, a certain code of signals by which the young lady was to know just what I meant to do. For instance, if I wanted to go to the right, I was to touch her on the right shoulder, etc., of course sitting on the front seat of the machine.

Mute Most Enthusiastic.

"I could see that Miss Keller was very enthusiastic over the prospect of a bicycle ride and, as in everything else, she threw her whole spirit into the mastery of her new task. She mounted without any trouble and when we first started out, we went very slowly, for I wished the young lady to get used to the machine gradually. After we had gone two miles, Miss Keller was perfectly at home on the tandem and rode with all the confidence in the world. We went fourteen miles on that day and upon arrival home, Miss Keller said she did not feel in the least fatigued.

"The third ride we took was over twenty miles. By this time, Miss Keller could tell if she were going up or down hill and, without my signaling, just what it was I intended doing, so that it was to me just as if I were riding along with a person who could hear and see well. Upon coming to a shaded avenue or some place in the woods, Miss Keller would know the nature of the country at once, just from the difference in the atmosphere. All this was simply wonderful to me.

Did Twenty-Eight Miles.

"For four weeks daily, I took Miss Keller out for rides in the streets and country roads about Boston and, although she told me she enjoyed herself during every moment of these rides, I feel sure that her enjoyment was no more keen than mine. The longest ride we took was twenty-eight miles and this was done in 2 1/2 hours. This is considered very good time for a girl with her eyes wide open."

Two Cherished Letters.

"Mr. St. Onge stopped for a moment here and showed the Bulletin reporter two letters from Miss Keller which were written on a typewriter, a means of communicating her thoughts to those about her which she had taken to at that time, although she could write perfectly well. Mr. St. Onge is very proud of these mementoes and keeps them in a safe place at all times. The letters are as follows:

Wrentham, Mass., June 6, 1899.
My dear Mr. St. Onge:—I hope you will pardon my teacher and me for not attending to your letter more promptly. We have been waiting for the picture you promised us. We could not get the one we intended for you out of the storehouse; so my teacher ordered one at Marshall's. They promised to send it on Saturday; but it has not come yet. However, we will send it when it does come; and enclosed, please find the check for eighteen dollars.

I cannot tell you in words how much I enjoyed my tandem rides with you, and I want to thank you for your kindness and courtesy.
We shall expect to see you here in the near future, and until then, good bye.

Very sincerely yours,

HELEN KELLER.

Wrentham, Mass., July 8, 1899.

My dear Mr. St. Onge:—This is just a line to tell you that my teacher received your note yesterday, and to ask you if you have forgotten your promise to come out and spend Sunday with us. My mother is here now; so I think we can promise you something to eat as well as a swim in the lake.
No, I have not been riding on my tandem lately; for I have no one to ride

with me; and besides, my wheel has been "laid up" with a severe attack of puncture ever since it arrived here. My teacher took it over to a man in the village, and he said the front tire was all covered with little holes, and he could do nothing with it; and we have been too busy getting ready for my examinations to bother with it.

We went to Cambridge last week, and spent two days there. I must confess, I had a hard time with my examinations, but I passed in everything, and am now ready to enter Radcliffe College.

Now about the picture. I do not know what you have thought of me, since I did not send it, as I promised I would; but if you come here, we will show you the picture, which Mr. Marshall sent, and if you like it, I will write my name on it for you. My teacher does not like it, and she says she will see about getting another the first time she goes to Boston.

Hoping to see you again ere long, I am,
Sincerely yours,
HELEN KELLER.

Wonderful Hands.

Continuing the trick ride, said: "The great progress which the young lady made in her studies, was made possible by her wonderful hands, which do everything but think for her. The wonderful sensitiveness of the fingers cannot be imagined by one who has only ordinary sense of touch. Her appreciation of everything that is brought to her attention is exceptionally keen and she has the most indomitable enthusiasm for study. Much of her intellectual power her teachers feel to be directly attributable to her long and honorable line of ancestors, for the blood of the old Boston Adamases, as well as that of Governor Spotswood and many southern gentlemen has come down to Helen Keller."

Miss Keller Not Conceited.

"The young lady is not at all conceited but she has no idea that there are any limitations or impossibilities for her. It has never dawned upon her that there is anything that she may not be able to acquire in time and in the face of all that she has accomplished, one would hardly dare to say that there is."

Chose Capable Man.

That Col. Pope chose a capable man to give Miss Keller bicycle lessons is beyond doubt. Had anything about the tandem broken or had the young lady been thrown by means of some obstacle, there is no doubt whatever that he would have performed some of the wonderful gymnastics which are to be seen at the Orpheum and come up from out of the dust with Miss Keller on his shoulders, uninjured. He is appreciated here and evidently from the following which Amy Leslie says about him in the Chicago Chronicle, he is appreciated as well on the Mainland.

Comical Tramp Act.

"The tramp bicycle act that gets new treatment at the Orpheum this week by one of the St. Onge brothers. As a continuance of freshness in vaudeville must depend in great part upon the originality with which acts that are not new are made to seem new, this tramp bicyclist is to be commended for his originality, his industry and his acrobatic ability. The other St. Onge does the more difficult riding of the trick bicyclists, jumping obstacles, playing polo, sitting on the bars and the like, while the tramp brother indulges in falls and somersaults."

"This tramp brother is a comedian as well as an acrobat and a bicyclist. He makes the spectators laugh when he is not tumbling off his wheel but their applause then is nothing compared with that given him when he executes one of his complex falls. The way in which he gets tangled with the machine without getting tangled, is ingenious and funny. When their individual tricks have been exhausted, the brothers combine for double work, the two on one machine. They relieve one another at the pedals and climb around the handle bars and over one another's backs—and one has almost said through the wheels—with the utmost sang froid. Then as a parting exhibit, the tramp rides his wheel backwards for a while."

Bicycle's Differences.

Here is another from the Detroit News: "The people generously applauded the bill which was offered last night. The thing that caught on best was the bicycle riding of the St. Onge brothers. One of them, in the familiar guise of a Casino review tramp, succeeds to the happiest degree in showing what a really funny thing a bicycle is. At first there is considerable restraint between the wheel and the tramp, one being painfully suspicious of the other. There is a disposition toward friendliness, but the two have a great many fallings out before they get on good terms with one another. It is these little differences between them that amuse the audience so much. The tramp will be sailing around on the back of his mischievous friend, when all of a sudden the steel joker will kick up his heels and land him on his neck half way across the stage. But the tramp finally comes out victorious, after a savage scrimmage in which the wheel gets the strangle hold on him and nearly ties him in a knot. This appears to make the tramp seriously 'in earnest' and he proceeds to do all sorts of things to the obedient machine. The other brother is likewise an expert trick rider, and the act has the double merit of being both funny and clever."

Fourcher a Wonder.

Theo. Fourcher, who is known on the stage as the brother of Fred St. Onge, is no less wonderful in his particular line. He was with Pain's fire-

works display at Manhattan Beach for a long time. In 1898, at Washington, D. C., he rode a wheel of fire in front of President McKinley's carriage as the latter was driving out of the park. The horses of the President's guard were very much frightened and started off on a run. The papers came out the next morning with the announcement that Fourcher was the first and only one who had ever put the President's guard to flight.

Stops Runaway Horse.

In Charleston, S. C., Fourcher stopped a runaway horse without dismounting from his wheel. He simply rushed up, took hold of the bridle and kept going, slowing down gradually and finally bringing the animal to a full stop.

He has a very bad habit of riding down a flight of stairs a hundred feet in height and two hundred and fifty in length. He also rode down the steps of the Capitol building at Washington, some time ago and got the papers all over the country talking about him. A few years ago, he traveled through the United States on a bicycle, riding fifty miles in each State and Territory. Hawaii was not then a part of the Union.

Sea Wall on One Wheel.

At St. Augustine, Fla., Fourcher rode from one end of the sea wall to the other with the front wheel of his bicycle in the air. During the same trip, he rode down the steps of the old fort of St. Augustine. He might possibly do something startling in Honolulu before he leaves.

BEET MEN MAKING LOSING SUGAR FIGHT

Washington, Jan. 4.—Representatives of California and other beet-sugar States are worried over the overwhelming sentiment in the Senate in favor of Cuban tariff reduction. In addition to Senators Lodge, Aldrich and Hale, Senator Allison has been won over to the idea of tariff reduction. With the close friendship between Governor General Wood and the President, both bent upon the reduction of the tariff, and with Secretary Root in full sympathy with them, there is an element of strength in the movement that few Senators can withstand. New England seems to be solid for reduction, and now that Senator Allison has joined their forces, it is said that Speaker Henderson, who came from Iowa in a private car with Allison, and who is his close friend, will co-operate with the Administration forces.

GOVERNOR DOLE'S NIECE

Alameda, Jan. 4.—Emmett Jones of Alameda and Miss Marian Dole, niece of Governor Dole of the Hawaiian Islands, were married on New Year's night at the home of the bride's relatives in Riverdale. The bride has a large number of friends, and the groom, who is a veteran of the war with Spain, is popularly known in Alameda. He served at Manila in the Signal Corps, receiving honorable mention for bravery displayed in numerous battles. He was mustered out as a sergeant and has since been made a First Lieutenant in the California Signal Corps. The couple arrived this evening from the south and will make their home on Clinton avenue, Alameda.

ROOSEVELT'S BUSY DAY

Washington, Dec. 23.—Although the President has Congress off his hands for the next two weeks, these are strenuous days at the White House all the same. Taken last Saturday, for instance, and you will get an idea of one of the President's busy days.

He had a session with Senator Platt of Connecticut, of course, and urged the necessity of relief for Cuba.

He listened to Mr. Oxnard's proposition for a bounty on Cuban sugar.

He discussed Gov. Crane as a Cabinet possibility with Senator Lodge.

He called down Gen. Miles in the presence of a room full of people—and called hard.

He ordered Secretary Root to officially reprimand the head of the army.

He ordered Secretary Long to dismiss Historian Macloy from the navy.

He consulted party leaders regarding Cabinet changes.

He involved himself in the Ohio fight between Foraker and Hanna.

He consulted threescore persons on appointments.

He dodged half a hundred interviewers who wished to know if he had knocked down an assailant on the street.

He caught up with his correspondence.

Then he took a long walk, entertained at dinner, and went to the theater.

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